18TH Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting Monday 5th April 2004 at 7.45p.m.

Present: Paul Symons Chairman/Quartermaster

Lilian Cooper GSL
Rob Bruce Treasurer

Toni Scott Richard Clark Keith Kimber Ian Kirby Pat Powell Lucy Bragg

1. **Apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Sally Symons, Kevin Bird, Brenda Kennedy, Sue Bateman and John Jewson.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2004 were amended to reflect the correct dates of the Summer Camp and were then agreed and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record.

Toni Scott arrived

Matters Arising

- 3.1 Agreement has been reached with the Methodist Church to reduce the hours of the Church Bazaar on Saturday to 3. Also the stalls can be put up on the Wednesday prior to the Bazaar at the same time as the Grotto.

 Ian Kirby arrived
- 3.2 No actions have been taken since the last meeting that require the Committee's approval.

4. Group Scout Leaders Report

- 4.1 Lilian reported that the Beaver Colony was running very well and 16 of the Colony were expected to attend the Beaver Sleepover on 16/17 April.
- 4.2 Cub numbers have fallen slightly as 5 have just gone up to Scouts. The Pack is busy with a full schedule up to the end of the Summer term.
- 4.3 Scout numbers have increased and the majority of the Troop has just completed their Fire Safety and Librarian Badges. Lilian asked that a special thanks be recorded to Mike Smith and Keith Kimber for their help with this badge-work.

5. Health and Safety

- 5.1 There have been no serious incidents since the last meeting.
- 5.2 GSL requested that any accidents relating to children travelling to and from meetings will have to be notified to the insurers.

6 Finance

Rob Bruce had not as yet arrived so this item will be dealt with later.

- 6.1 The Treasurer (Rob Bruce) reported as follows:
 - £1380 in bank
 - £2,700 in Building Society
 - Quiz night contribution doubled by Barclays Bank under it's £ for £ scheme for employees.
 - A new services account will be opened at Barclays requiring two signatories. £100 was agreed to be left in the Nationwide in case they ever change from a mutual building society to a bank. Rob to check if shares are given to treasurer's accounts if this happens.
 - Petty cash is £133
 - Subscriptions paid in the financial year to April 04 amounted to £4590
 - The beavers, cubs and scouts accounts are now required for year end and the leaders were asked to submit them to the treasurer as soon as possible.
 - GSL agreed with Rob to keep camp money going through the main account.
- Paul has acquired new gift aid paperwork and has discovered that gift aid can now be claimed on sponsorship. The forms for the sponsored walk will be amended to reflect this.

7. **Resources**

7.1 Minibus Replacement

Paul reported that he had been advised that the American School in London sells off its minibuses when they are 3 years old for £10k. This was considered expensive for the group. GSL reported that the 4th Edmonton had recently acquired a P-reg minibus and agreed to get some information from them.

7.2 Transport Manager

GSL report on John's behalf:

The MOT for the minibus is due in the next few weeks. The van requires a solar panel to provide a trickle charge to the battery at a cost of £30. It was agreed to purchase this item.

7.3 Rammey Island.

The running costs per annum were £580 for 2003 and included ground rent, electricity and water. The group decided to go back to the 7th to let them know we are interested and ask them if they can get at least one other group involved. It was decided to keep this project under review and also get Colin Bateman involved as he is a surveyor.

7.4 Quartermaster's Report

The treble burner storage was not purchased but two doubles were purchased instead. The camp fridge has not as yet been repaired.

Rob Bruce arrived.

GSL has purchased a camp oven for £55 and the scanner/printer has been purchased for the BSL at a cost of £99.

The hike tents are being checked and it is likely that one will need to be thrown away. A review of all tents will be carried out during Summer Term and volunteers will be required to do this. GSL requested approval to purchase 3 5-man Vango lightweight tents at £99 each. This was approved.

8. **Fund Raising**

8.1 Race Night

Keith reported that he had spoken to Mike Horder who is not too keen to run the event in May and it was therefore decided to cancel it.

8.2 Forty Hall Rose Fair.

A stall has been booked for this event on 12th June at a cost of £15

8.3 District |Fete

A stall for JPD has been booked at £10. GSL suggested that the scouts run a 'Beat the Goalie' Stall as part of their Chief Scout Award. This was agreed.

8.4 Other Fundraising Activities.

A stall will be booked at Haringey Fete on 10th July for £10.

BSL reported that Round Table would be unlikely to assist the group as they tend to concentrate on groups in 'deprived' areas.

Paul suggested a Football League Results Forecast Competition based on the Premiership, the Nationwide league and the Nationwide Conference. This was agreed in principle.

Keith suggested a JPD induction evening.

Keith is to investigate further Football in the Community in association with Tottenham.

9. **Activities**

9.1 Annual General Meeting

A sound system is required and if it becomes necessary Paul will liaise with John Jewson about this. The children will be doing reports on the year's activities. Ian Kirby kindly agreed to look after the refreshments of tea/coffee and buns.

BSL has agreed to ask Sharon Ottley to attend the AGM so that a gift can be presented to her. It was agreed that Flag Break will be included in the AGM

9.2 Sunflower Competition

In Sue's absence this item was deferred to the next meeting.

9.3 Family Camp

Gilwell had been booked from 2nd to 4th July and a deposit has been paid.

10. Any Other Business

Lilian informed the meeting that there were changes to the rules on issue of warrants. If a person goes into uniform from September they will receive a provisional warrant and would be expected to do 8 training modules in the first five months. Some warrants are currently out of date. This is due to a backlog at district.

There is also a requirement for a Criminal Record Bureau Check (CLB) but many of these are out of date or non-existent. These require review.

11. **Date of Next Meeting**

11.1 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 7th June at 7:45pm in the Church Hall.